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New Online Videos Make the Inspection Process Easier

Glendale, Ariz. — Before you pick up a hammer, put your fingers down on the keyboard and click to Glendale's new online "how to" videos from the Building Safety Department. Called "What to Expect When We're Inspecting," the videos take citizens through the permitting and inspection process in minutes.

In the past year, Glendale's Building Safety Department has experienced a 10 percent increase in do-it-yourself activity. Common remodeling permits include patio and room additions as well as kitchen and bathroom renovations.

To help educate these homeowners, Building Safety staff developed the video series to offer tips such as what needs a permit, what areas are inspected and helpful construction hints. The new videos produced by Glendale 11 are on www.glendaleaz.com and the city's YouTube channel, youtube.com/myglendale11. You can also see the videos on the city-owned TV station, Glendale 11.

"The videos are a great tool to give residents a quick 101 on our most popular remodeling topics allowing viewers an easy visual way to see how the process works from start to finish," said Randy Huggins, senior development services representative for Glendale's Building Safety Department. "As the economy is recovering, we are noticing more homeowners starting up projects themselves and these videos will give them the confidence they can safely do it on their own, but of course we're a phone call or email away if they need us."

Seven short videos include the following topics:

- How, why and when to get permits
- Site preparation, Blue Stake Utilities
- Foundation/Footing
- Framing/Roof Deck Nailing/ Strap and Shear
- Pre Drywall/ Rough Plumbing/ Rough Electric/ Rough Mechanical
- Drywall/Stucco Lath
- Final Inspection

For more information on how to obtain a building permit, call 623.930.2800 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/buildingsafety.

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